



## SUCCESSFUL FAIR CLOSES

The Montgomery County Fair which Closed Here Saturday, was a Great Exhibition.

The gates to the 1916 Montgomery County Fair were closed Saturday evening after four days of the finest rings, races, etc., ever seen in this section. The attendance the first day was small and on the second day a heavy downpour of rain fell, causing the entire program in the afternoon to be postponed with the exception of the running races. Notwithstanding these facts, the attendance was about 1,000 more than last year and it is thought the fair company will not lose any money. This was undoubtedly one of the best fairs ever held by the association and too much credit cannot be given Secretary Wood.

Following are the winners day by day:

### Wednesday's Ring Display.

1—Best Running Walk Mare or Gelding, any age—S. S. Rall's "Billy," first; N. B. Young, Jr., "Dudley," second.

2—Quick Hitching Contest for Woman or Girl—Mrs. Allen D. Prewitt, first; Mrs. J. C. Booth, second.

3—Best Mare or Gelding 2-year-old and under, sired by stallion owned by U. S. Department of Agriculture—Jim Guillole's "Raymount Chief," first.

4—Best Harness Stallion under 4 years—McCray Bros.' "Highland Chief," first, and their "Mac Monroe," second.

5—Best Five-Gaited Saddle Mare under 4 years—McCray's "Rose of Killarney," first; J. T. Collins & Son's, "Emilee," second.

6—Best Three-Gaited Mare any age—McCray's "Happy Sybell," first; McCray's entry, second.

7—Best Three-Gaited Gelding, any age—J. T. Collins & Son's entries, first and second.

8—Best Five-Gaited Horse, either sex, over 3 years—McCray Bros.' "Willie McDonald," first; J. T. Collins & Son's entry, second.

### Wednesday's Races.

In the 2:25 trot on the first day, Guafire, owned and driven by Roy Morris, of this city, showed his class by winning handily in straight heats. He was backed heavily on the books and paid approximately 2 to 1. Mitchell Lammlein, driven by Jones, was second. Kirtley Mae, backed as favorite for awhile, was distanced.

In the 2:18 pace, Lucile Brooks, owned and driven by E. R. Little, was first in straight heats. Walter Stone, owned by Stivers and driven by Utterback, was second. Lady Slipper, third. Mabel T., distanced.

In "The Montgomery" running race for two-year-olds, Do Right beat out Mart by a nose. Brother Joe and Little Prince also ran. The mutuels paid, Do Right, \$3.00 to \$2. No place and show.

In the "Government Prize" for 3-year-olds and upward at six furlongs, Noiseless beat the favorite, Niagara, and paid \$9.30 to \$2 in the mutuels. Round the Moon also ran.

### Thursday's Ring Display Awards.

15—Best Harness Mare or Gelding under 4 years—McCray Bros., first and second.

16—Best Five-Gaited Saddle Stallion under 4 years—McCray Bros., first and second.

17—Best Suckling Filly, 1916 foal, saddle bred—Wm. Jones & Son's "Seralla," first.

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## SECRET WEDDING ANNOUNCED

Announcement was made Sunday of the wedding of Miss Hazel Messer to Mr. Leroy Allen, which took place in Huntington, W. Va., July 11th, at the Methodist parsonage. The first part of July Miss Messer left for Wheeling, W. Va., to spend her vacation and it was while on this trip she was married to Mr. Allen. After the ceremony the couple came to this city and the groom resumed his position as barber at the National Hotel shop, while the bride went back to work for the telephone company. Mr. Allen has only been in this city a few months but has made many friends while here and is a courteous and deserving young gentleman. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Messer and has been employed as telephone operator for the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company for several years. She is a strikingly pretty young girl, possessed with a lovable disposition and reserved in manner, being quite a favorite with a host of friends. The happy couple left for Huntington, W. Va., Sunday, where they will make their future home. The Advocate joins many friends in extending best wishes and heartiest congratulations.

## PROMISE BETTER

Mr. C. J. Eaton, manager of the Commercial Department of the Kentucky Utilities Co., was in this city last week and stated that his company was aware of the fact that Mt. Sterling was not getting as good light service as it deserves and said that Mr. Reid, president of the company, would be in this city shortly and would take steps necessary to remedy local troubles. It is probable that the local plant will be re-fitted up and fires under the boilers kept banked so that the local current can be used immediately in emergencies without waiting several hours to "fire-up." Mr. Eaton further stated that the great Dix river generating plant to supply power for all the company's enterprises would undoubtedly be built and that shortly after its completion it is likely that an interurban line will be built from Lexington to this city, in addition to several other lines.

## HAD NARROW ESCAPE

Mr. Sidney G. Clay and Mr. Ray Taylor had a narrow escape from drowning last Thursday when the engine of their automobile was stopped by water while they were attempting to cross a small stream on the Russell Cave pike near Paris. Before they could get it started a cloudburst farther up the stream sent a large body of water down, striking the car and turning it over, throwing the occupants out. Mr. Clay and Mr. Taylor managed to get out but the car, which was recovered about a hundred yards from the scene of the accident, was badly damaged. Mr. Taylor formerly lived in this city and Mr. Clay is well known here. Both of these gentlemen have many friends here who are glad to learn of their escape from injury.

## APPOINTED U. S. CHAUFFEUR

Mr. Gray Russell was notified last week of his appointment as a U. S. chauffeur and he will accompany the trucks to the Mexican border. He is to report at the Quartermaster's Department not later than July 27th. The salary ranges from \$100 to \$185 per month, and Mr. Russell, who is a thoroughly competent handler of motor cars, is being warmly congratulated by his many friends upon securing this splendid position.

## PICKPOCKET CAUGHT IN ACT

Smooth Young White Man Giving Name of John Brown Arrested On Fair Grounds.

On Saturday, the last day of our County Fair, the attendance was unusually large and several persons reported to the local officers that they had been robbed. A special search for pickpockets was inaugurated, resulting in the arrest of a young white man giving the name of John Brown and claiming to be from Covington, Ky. Sheriff Howell, who made the arrest, and Mr. Arthur Haydon saw Brown take a pocketbook from Mr. W. H. Setters, of the Donaldson neighborhood. The pocketbook contained nothing of value, except twenty-five cents in money and at his trial in the County Court Monday Brown plead guilty and was given six months in the county jail for petit larceny. Brown was well dressed, is about thirty years of age, small in stature and of good appearance. It is believed by local officers that he is a professional and pictures of him are being sent over the country with a view of trying to identify him.

## MR. AND MRS. PAXTON

### TO LEAVE MT. STERLING

The announcement that Mr. and Mrs. Claude Paxton will leave Mt. Sterling and go to Catlettsburg next week to make their future home will be received with genuine regret by their many friends here. Mr. Paxton has accepted a lucrative position in that city and it is hoped they will be pleased with their new home. For a number of years Mr. and Mrs. Paxton have been foremost in the business, religious and social life of Mt. Sterling and we heartily recommend them to the good people of Catlettsburg, and while regretting to see them leave this city, wish them all the prosperity and happiness in the world.

## GOES TO LOUISVILLE

Mr. Allie G. Hunt, who has been visiting his father, Mr. S. P. Hunt, in this city, for several weeks, has accepted a position as chief clerk at the Galt House in Louisville and left Friday to assume his new duties. Mr. Hunt has been connected with a number of the leading hotels throughout the country for the past several years, is a thoroughly competent young man and is quite popular with the traveling public.

## SPEAKER DUFFY OUT OF CONGRESS FIGHT

While attending the fair here last Wednesday, H. C. Duffy, of Cynthiana, Speaker of the House in the last General Assembly, announced his withdrawal from the race for the congressional nomination in the Ninth District, giving as his reasons that illness in his family prevented him from further prosecuting his canvass. The withdrawal of Speaker Duffy was a surprise.

## PASSES WITH FINE MARK

Mr. Clark Lane, of Owingsville, formerly of this city, and who has been associated with his father in the furniture and undertaking business, recently took the State Embalmers' examination at Louisville and passed with a grade of 97. This was the highest mark received by any applicant at that meeting. Mr. Lane has many friends here who will be pleased to learn of his splendid showing.

For Sale—Spring wagon, buggy, set of harness, all in good condition. A rare bargain. Phone 688. 51-1f

## JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY DIES

James Whitcomb Riley, the "Hoosier poet," died at his home in Indianapolis, Ind., Saturday night. He was considered by many as America's greatest poet. True poet of the provinces was James Whitcomb Riley; born of the Middle West, he sang the joys, sorrows, fancies and humors of its folk, largely in its own dialect, and the world was so touched by his inspiration and the realism of his homely symbols that he was one of the few devoting their lives to poetry who have gained a fortune. Mr. Riley was peculiarly sensitive to the advance of age, and evaded inquiries as to the date of his birth, but the most accurate information available indicated that he was born in 1848. "Should you ask him his age," one of his friends said, "he would answer that he was 'this side of forty,' and leave you to guess which side."

The poet was the son of Reuben A. Riley, a lawyer and political speaker of Greenfield, Ind. The younger Riley could not be brought to the dull routine of school days, but he was wise in the lore of streams and fields. His mother, who was Elizabeth Narine, before her marriage was a writer of verse.

Instead of preparing for the practice of law, as his father wished, the son apparently prepared for nothing, and when he left home, he turned itinerant sign painter to make his living. What he carried from the little schoolhouse was some sympathetic knowledge of literature imparted by his teacher, Lee O. Harris, himself a poet. For ten years, Riley roved the Ohio Valley, painting commercial signs on fences and farm outhouses. He had the trick of brush and pencil, and cleverly drew sketches illustrative of the virtues of merchandise advertised in the signs he and his fellow-artisans made to bloom on the roadsides. He was naturally musical, and shone as a fiddler in the villages at which his party stopped at night. He played for dances and at concerts in country hotels, and he wrote rhymes which sometimes found their way into the country newspapers.

He led this cheerful, free and easy life until late in the 70s, when he took employment as a writer for a newspaper at Anderson, Ind. He had now begun to write verse steadily, but with little encouragement from publishers. In 1877, for the purpose, as he said, of proving that he could write poetry of value, he perpetrated "The Poe Hoax," which for years was a literary sensation, which he often regretted and of which, as he often told his friends, he knew he never would hear the last.

Publication of books of poems year after year brought Mr. Riley wealth and wide recognition of his literary genius. Many of his poems are of imaginative fantasy or are gently philosophic. In 1902, he received the degree of Master of Arts from Yale University, and in 1904, the University of Pennsylvania conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Letters.

In July, 1911, the poet presented to the city of Indianapolis property valued at \$75,000 for a site for a public library and school administration building.

Mr. Riley never married but he was a lover of children, whose spirit he divined so intimately, and of family life.

\$4.00 Pumps and Oxfords cut to \$3.45. (51-1f)

The Brunner Shoe Co.

Try a 1-pound can of Sincerity Coffee, 30c and 35c per pound, at Vanarsdell's.

## PONY CART HAS ARRIVED

Splendid Little Vehicle Arrived Monday and Pony and Harness Expected Daily.

Did you know that the pony trap had arrived and that the pony is expected every train? Be sure and come to see the pony and take a drive behind her and we feel sure you will then make a special effort to be the winner of this handsome turnout. You know The Advocate gives 500 votes with every new subscription secured or for a renewal. This is five times as many votes as given by the merchants in the contest, so why not make a special effort for the next few days to secure new subscribers for this paper? Think of it, 500 votes for \$1.00.

## GOES TO COLORADO

Miss Addie M. Filbin, who has been attending summer session of the State Teachers' College, at Greeley, Colo., has accepted a position as teacher of the eighth grade at Creston, Colo. Miss Filbin was born and lived in this city until a few months ago and has many friends who will regret to learn of her intention of moving to the far West but will wish her the happiness and success she so well deserves in her new home.

## MINNEAPOLIS PUBLISHER

### TO BUY SOME HORSES

D. W. Thurston, well known publisher of Minneapolis, who is also a trotting horse enthusiast, was a visitor at the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' Association track in Lexington Monday and announced his intention of buying some horses while here, if he can find any to his liking. Mr. Thurston, who was formerly a resident of Montgomery county, owns quite a number of trotters and races them on Northern tracks.—Lexington Herald.

## CLARKE'S APPOINTMENT TO SUPREME COURT CONFIRMED

The Senate Monday unanimously confirmed the nomination of John H. Clarke, of Cleveland, as associate justice of the Supreme Court to succeed former Justice Hughes. Justice Clarke will take his place on the bench when court convenes next fall. President Wilson sent the nomination to the Senate July 14th. A sub-committee recommended confirmation and the judiciary committee took similar action.

## IN HONOR OF MRS. PAXTON

The Fizer Bible Class of the Methodist church entertained with a delightful reception at the home of Mrs. E. Y. Nelson on Clay street last Thursday evening in compliment to Mrs. Claude Paxton, one of the instructors in the Methodist Sunday school, who leaves next week to make her home in Catlettsburg. The house and lawn were artistically decorated and the occasion was one of much enjoyment. Delicious refreshments were served.

## THE FAIR DANCE

The annual Fair Dance, given by the young gentlemen of this city at Ringo's Hall last Thursday evening was largely attended and proved to be a most enjoyable affair. A large number of visitors were present. Music for the occasion was furnished by Smith's Saxophone Trio.

Shirts, dressy and cool. Fine variety of patterns that retail at other stores at \$1.50 at \$1.00. 51f The Brunner Shoe Co.

## BABY BOY DIES

Mr. and Mrs. G. Catlett Everett have the sympathy of the entire community in the loss of their little baby, John Gill, who died at their home Tuesday morning at 2 o'clock from whooping cough. For only a few short weeks had this little fellow lived to gladden their hearts, having been born May 26th.

"When death strikes down the innocent and young, for every fragile form from which he lets the panting spirit free, a hundred virtues rise, in shapes of mercy, charity, and love, to walk the world and bless it. Of every tear that sorrowing mortals shed on such green graves, some good is born, some gentler nature comes."

The Advocate tenders deepest sympathy to the bereaved parents.

## TRANSPORTATION COMPANY INCORPORATES

The Mt. Sterling & Lexington Transportation Company was incorporated with County Clerk Keller Greene last week. The incorporators are Robert Stone and H. M. Wyatt, of this city, and N. H. Stone, of Sharpsburg, and the capital stock \$1,500. Mr. Robert Stone will be President and General Manager of the company, which will carry on a passenger and express traffic between this city and Lexington beginning August 1st. The company has purchased a big Buick truck and had it especially fitted for comfortable passenger service. It is the intention to make daily trips to Lexington. An office will be opened in Mt. Sterling in the next few days.

## GOES TO BUFFALO

Miss C. H. Stowell, who has been Cashier of the State Mutual Life Assurance Company in this city in the office of General Agent H. G. Hoffman, has been transferred to Buffalo, N. Y. Miss Stowell has made many friends since her stay in this city and it is with sincere regret they have learned of her transfer. She will leave about the 15th of August. Mr. Chester Dwyer, of Lexington, has been appointed to the position here and comes highly recommended as a business man and a gentleman.

## CAMPAIGN TO OPEN

The Democratic campaign in Kentucky will open in Winchester some time early in September. The Winchester people always hustling for the good things for their city will make the meeting a huge success as they usually do anything they attempt. The meeting will be held at the Clark County Fair Grounds.

## FINE BOOKLET

We are in receipt of a copy of the Student's Bulletin, issued by the students of the Kentucky Normal & Industrial Institute. It is a well edited and printed bulletin and those in charge of the work deserve praise for the excellence of the work.

## BUYS BUSINESS

Mr. Taylor W. Fitzpatrick, Jr., purchased the business of the Sanitary Meat Market at the sale held by W. A. Samuels, Special Receiver, and will sell out the stock of goods and fixtures. The business was formerly conducted by Messrs. Gay Wilson and Joe Carter.

San Francisco police are groping about in the dark in their efforts to run down the person or persons who "planted" a suit case bomb that exploded during a preparedness parade Saturday, resulting in death for six persons and injury for many others.

New tomatoes and cucumbers at Vanarsdell's.